

5/13/83

Mr Norman Stach  
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Dear Norman,

Received a note from your auditor kept which said I didn't get Lot 1097 of your May Sale for which I thank you. <sup>It</sup> And consider this to be one of the many things that make your firm the outstanding one that it is.

There is a question which I would like to pose to you and that is, Why doesn't your firm use the numbering system that is in my book? I am asked this continuously by various persons. I do reply that I have no say in what Stach does and it's entirely up to them. I do note a number of things however which I would like to point out.

① Evidently a number of coins you receive were attributed to my system. Someone converts these to Gillett, however there are a number of cases where mistakes have been made. I noticed this in the February 1982 Babson Sale and it occurred <sup>has</sup> at other times.

② When lot 1097 was catalogued for the May 1983 sale, two items were noted which it was stated did not appear in my book. Yet there was no indication, by use of my number, that my book even existed. The two items noted (Die Bust on obv + Die Break on Rev.) are debatable.

③ In an earlier sale this year. your firm noted that the 1828 Reverse was real and that this was not noted in either Gillett or my book. The person who wrote this obviously was not familiar with my book as the item was covered on page 81 of

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the second edition and Page 69 of the First  
edition. I did notice that in that table both  
Gallert and My Numbers were used.

My Purpose in Pointing out these items is Not  
to find fault with Stacks but to let you know  
what feed back I receive. I Consider you firm  
to be the most reputable one in the Numismatic  
field. It certainly surpasses ~~most~~ all others. I have  
been on your Subscriptions list since 1969 and No firm  
in this Period has Auctioned Half Cents with the  
regularity and high quality Catalogs that your  
firm has.

It would be most appreciative of any Comments  
you may have

Sincerely  
Rosen.



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May 16, 1983

Mr. Roger S. Cohen, Jr., P.A.  
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Dear Roger:

I am in receipt of your letter of May 13th regarding my cataloging of Auction Sales where Half Cents are involved.

In the past, I only used Gilbert because so few collectors had your book. Secondly, you could chalk it up to my being lazy.


A number of people jumped on me regarding the 1828 Half Cent. I daresay I won't make that mistake again.

When the next decent group of Half Cents come along, I will use both Gilbert and Cohen for attribution.

With all best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

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Norman Stack

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